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For: SURGICAL INSTRUMENT WITH SNAG FREE BOX HINGE

Enclosed are:

4 sheets of drawings.

An assignment of the invention to Tri-State Hospital Supply Corporation

A certified copy of a _____ application.

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A Declaration for Patent Application pursuant to C.F.R. 1.63 and 1.68.

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.

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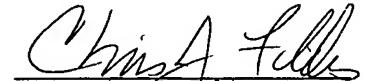
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